

I oppose loosening the rules designed to promote and protect diversity of media ownership. These rules were adopted to ensure that the public would receive a diverse range of viewpoints from the media, and not simply the opinions of a handful of media conglomerates. The cable ownership

cap is a crucial element of our democratic media, and it should not be weakened.

Additionally, changing these rules to remove the 30% cap will give the 2 or 3 cable companies that are created by the post-change mergers/acquisitions to control a large segment of the high-speed Internet access market. This will drastically reduce competition and increase high-speed cable Internet access rates.